Order

Michigan Supreme Court Lansing, Michigan

November 24, 2015

Robert P. Young, Jr., Chief Justice

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PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN, Plaintiff-Appellee,

SC: 151378 COA: 325255

Shiawassee CC: 13-004953-FC

v

MELINDA SUE WATKINS, Defendant-Appellant.

On order of the Court, the application for leave to appeal the February 12, 2015 order of the Court of Appeals is considered and, pursuant to MCR 7.305(H)(1), in lieu of granting leave to appeal, we REMAND this case to the Shiawassee Circuit Court to determine whether the court would have imposed a materially different sentence under the sentencing procedure described in *People v Lockridge*, 498 Mich 358 (2015). On remand, the trial court shall follow the procedure described in Part VI of our opinion. If the trial court determines that it would have imposed the same sentence absent the unconstitutional constraint on its discretion, it may reaffirm the original sentence. If, however, the trial court determines that it would not have imposed the same sentence absent the unconstitutional constraint on its discretion, it shall resentence the defendant. We further order on remand that the trial court shall ensure that all of the corrections to the presentence reports that were discussed at sentencing are made. In all other respects, leave to appeal is DENIED because we are not persuaded that the remaining questions should be reviewed by this Court.

We do not retain jurisdiction.



I, Larry S. Royster, Clerk of the Michigan Supreme Court, certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the order entered at the direction of the Court.

November 24, 2015

